

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Missouri	
COUNTY: St. Charles	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: First Missouri State Capitol, State Historic Site
First Missouri State Capitol Buildings

AND/OR HISTORIC:
"Peck's Row" and/or "Legislative Hall"

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
208-216 South Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
St. Charles

STATE Missouri	CODE 63301	COUNTY: St. Charles	CODE 153
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes: Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNERS NAME:
State of Missouri

STREET AND NUMBER:
Missouri State Park Board
P.O. Box 176, 1201 Jefferson Building

CITY OR TOWN:
Jefferson City

STATE: Missouri	CODE 65101
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
St. Charles County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
St. Charles

STATE: Missouri	CODE 63301
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1.2

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Missouri Historic Sites Catalogue

DATE OF SURVEY: 1963 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
State Historical Society of Missouri

STREET AND NUMBER:
Corner, Hitt and Lowry streets

CITY OR TOWN:
Columbia

STATE: Missouri	CODE 65201
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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>
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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1821-1826

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| Aboriginal | Education | <input type="checkbox"/> | Political | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Urban Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Prehistoric | Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> | Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other (Specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Historic | Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> | Science | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Agriculture | Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sculpture | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Art | Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> | Social/Humanitarian | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Commerce | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> | Theater | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Communications | Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> | Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> | _____ | |
| Conservation | Military | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | _____ | |
| | Music | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | _____ | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

Buildings A, B, and C housed the Missouri State Legislature from June 4, 1821, to October 1, 1826. Meeting in St. Louis on November 25, 1820, the Missouri General Assembly designated St. Charles as the seat of government until 1826 when the Capitol was moved to Jefferson City.

Construction date of these buildings is not known. However, tax records show that the assessment value for Buildings B and C increased from \$1,000 in 1818 to \$1,400 and \$1,700 in 1819. (Coombs, Kenneth E., "A Restoration Plan For the First State Capitol of Missouri, St. Charles, Missouri", p. 29.) Also, archaeological evidence, prior to and during restoration, has indicated a second story was added to Building A in 1820 to make it conform with the two-story Buildings B and C.

Building A was the residence of Chauncey Shephard. Building B was owned by Ruluff Peck, who operated a hardware store and resided on the first floor of the building. Charles Peck owned Building C and occupied the first floor of the building with his residence and dry goods store. When St. Charles was chosen as the site for the State Capitol, these owners offered the second floor of their respective buildings for use as legislative chambers. Prior to, and during the State Legislative tenure, the second floor was also used by the St. Charles County Court, County Circuit Court, and the Superior Court. These Courts met in the Peck and Shephard Buildings when the Legislature was not in session.

For governmental and legislative purposes, the second floor of Building A was converted into the Governor's Office and a committee room. The second floor of Building B served as the House of Representatives Chamber and the second floor of Building C became the Senate Chamber. The latter two rooms were connected by a large doorway which could be opened for joint sessions.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

1. Bray, Robert T., "Preliminary Archaeological Investigations At First Missouri State Capitol, St. Charles." (1968), pp. 18-20.
2. Coombs, Kenneth E., A.I.A., "A Restoration Plan for the First State Capitol of Missouri, St. Charles, Missouri." (1964).
3. Meyer, Duane, The Heritage of Missouri: A History. (St. Louis: State Publishing Co., Inc., 1965), p. 157.
4. State Historical Society of Missouri's Historic Sites File, ref. St. Charles County.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	38 ° 46 ' 49 "	90 ° 28 ' 54 "		° ' "	° ' "	
NE	38 ° 46 ' 48 "	90 ° 28 ' 51 "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	38 ° 46 ' 45 "	90 ° 28 ' 53 "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	38 ° 46 ' 46 "	90 ° 28 ' 55 "		° ' "	° ' "	

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Martha L. Kusiak, Research Historian

ORGANIZATION: State Historical Survey and Planning Office DATE: March 18, 1969
Missouri State Park Board

STREET AND NUMBER:
P.O. Box 176, 120 1/2 Jefferson Building

CITY OR TOWN: Jefferson City STATE: Missouri 65101 CODE: 24

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: Joseph Jaeger, Jr.

Title: Director, Missouri State Park Board, and Missouri State Liaison Officer

Date: March 24, 1969

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Arnet Allen Connelly
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: APR 10 1969

ATTEST:

William J. Huestegge
 Keeper of The National Register

Date: APR 10 1969

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FIRST MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL BUILDINGS

6. Missouri State Historical Survey (state)

1968

Missouri State Park Board

P.O. Box 176

1204 Jefferson Building

Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

Code: 24

Historic American Buildings Survey (federal)

1934, 1936

Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

National Park Service

801 19th Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20006

Code: 08

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7. Common features of buildings A, B, C, and D include: 12 over 12 light sash, with facade brick resting directly on recessed wooden window frames. All doors are raised six-panel, either original or reproductions. All door locks are exact copies of the originals. Facade and rear of buildings have been restored with wood guttering and downspouts. Roof is hand-split wood shingles, and brick is hand fired. Two-story gallery across the rear of buildings B and C, with double-porch stair access to second floor of galleries and buildings. Gallery has been rebuilt on its original stone foundation.

Open areas behind each building, originally were about 300 feet in depth and extended east to the Missouri River. Now terminate at a depth of 245-260 feet at the Missouri-Kansas and Texas Railroad property line, which parallels the Missouri River.

Originally, areas behind the buildings contained stables, gardens, toilets and wells. Recent extensive archaeological investigations have produced two cistern wells, one small rock-laid well, and several rock foundations of early out-buildings.

Missouri State Park Board plans to place a log house of the period on original out-building foundation, to house public toilet facilities.

City of St. Charles has purchased and cleared the land to the south of Building D and will provide a parking lot there for visitors.

The land north of Building A has been purchased by the Missouri State Park Board. This tract is to be landscaped in a manner compatible with the period of restoration of the First State Capitol Buildings.

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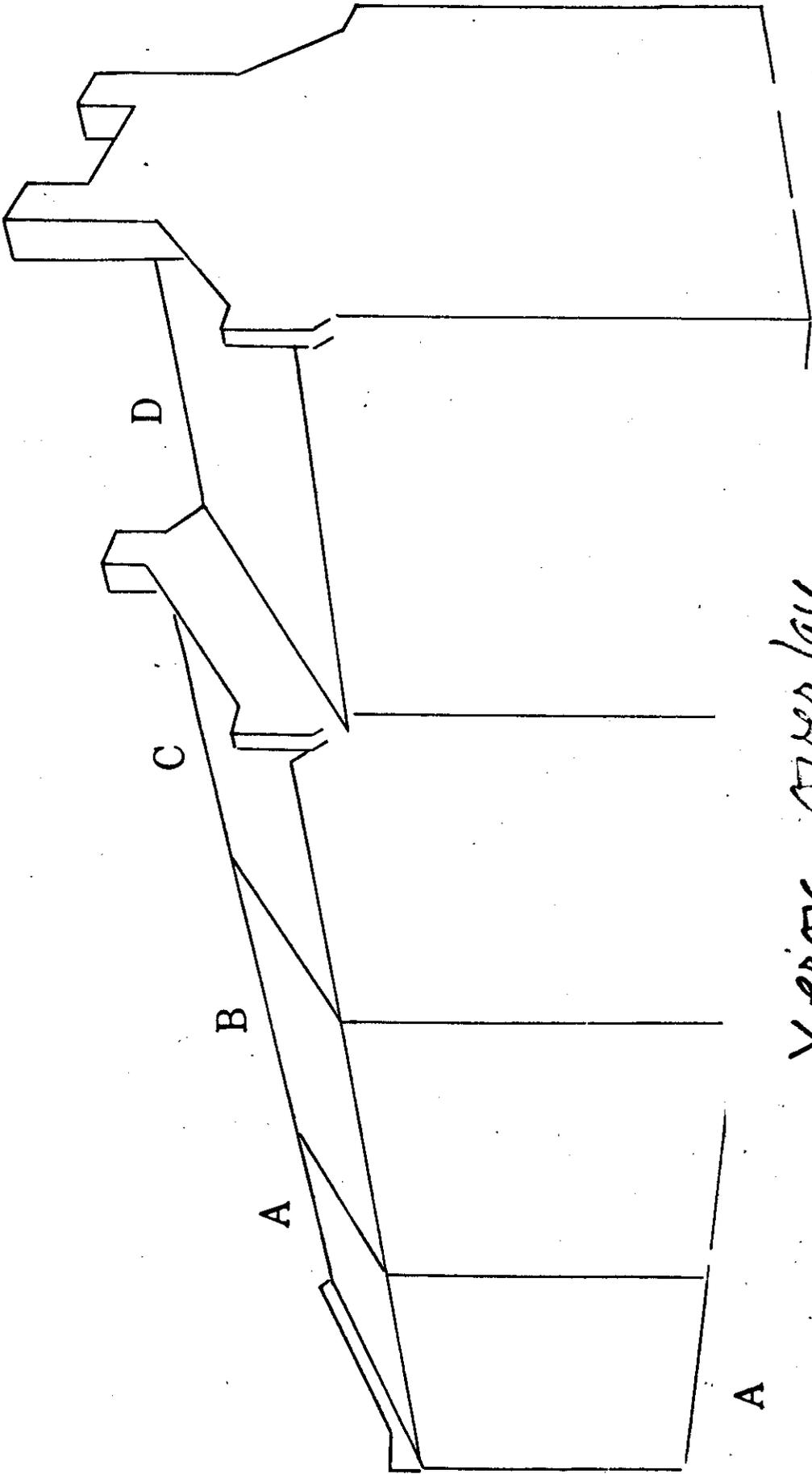
8. The two ground level passage-ways, extending the depth of the buildings, were used by the Peck brothers and the public as access and trade routes to and from the Missouri River.

Buildings A, B, and C are significant as the first official meeting place of the Missouri State Legislature following Missouri's official recognition as a state.

While convened in St. Charles, the Missouri Legislature passed the Second Missouri Compromise. This Compromise, proposed by Henry Clay, paved the way for the acceptance of the Missouri Constitution by the Federal Congress.

This Compromise stated that the Missouri Legislature must sign a "solemn act" which promised that the offending Section 26 of the Constitution would never be used to restrict the rights of freed Negroes entering the State.

On June 4, 1821, the General Assembly approved the required legislation and on August 10, 1821, President Monroe admitted the State of Missouri into the Union.



OVERLAY

St. Charles

Name of Site: First State Capitol of M

Site Number

Photographer: Hadley Irwin

Date of Photo: 1968 North

View or Direction: Looking East

Photo Size: 3x5

*Xerox overlay
separately*

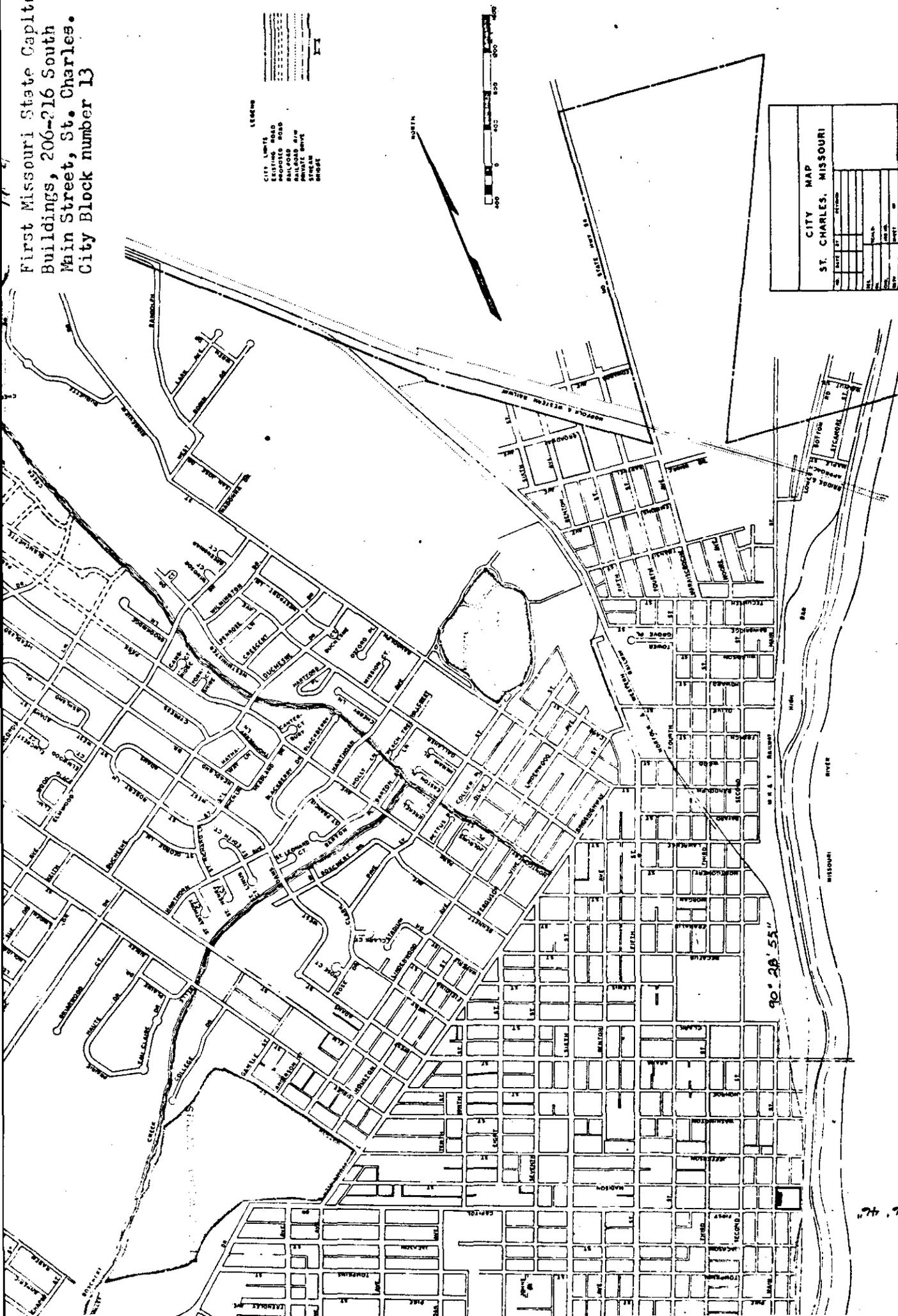
First Missouri State Capitol
 Buildings, 206-216 South
 Main Street, St. Charles.
 City Block number 13

LEGEND
 CITY LIMITS
 BUILDING ROAD
 PROMOTED ROAD
 RAILROAD
 PRIVATE DRIVE
 STREET
 BRIDGE

NORTH



CITY MAP	
ST. CHARLES, MISSOURI	
DATE	
BY	
SCALE	
NO.	
REV.	



GOELLNER PL
 NE 38°46' 48"; 90°28' 51"
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Form 10-301
(Dec. 1968)

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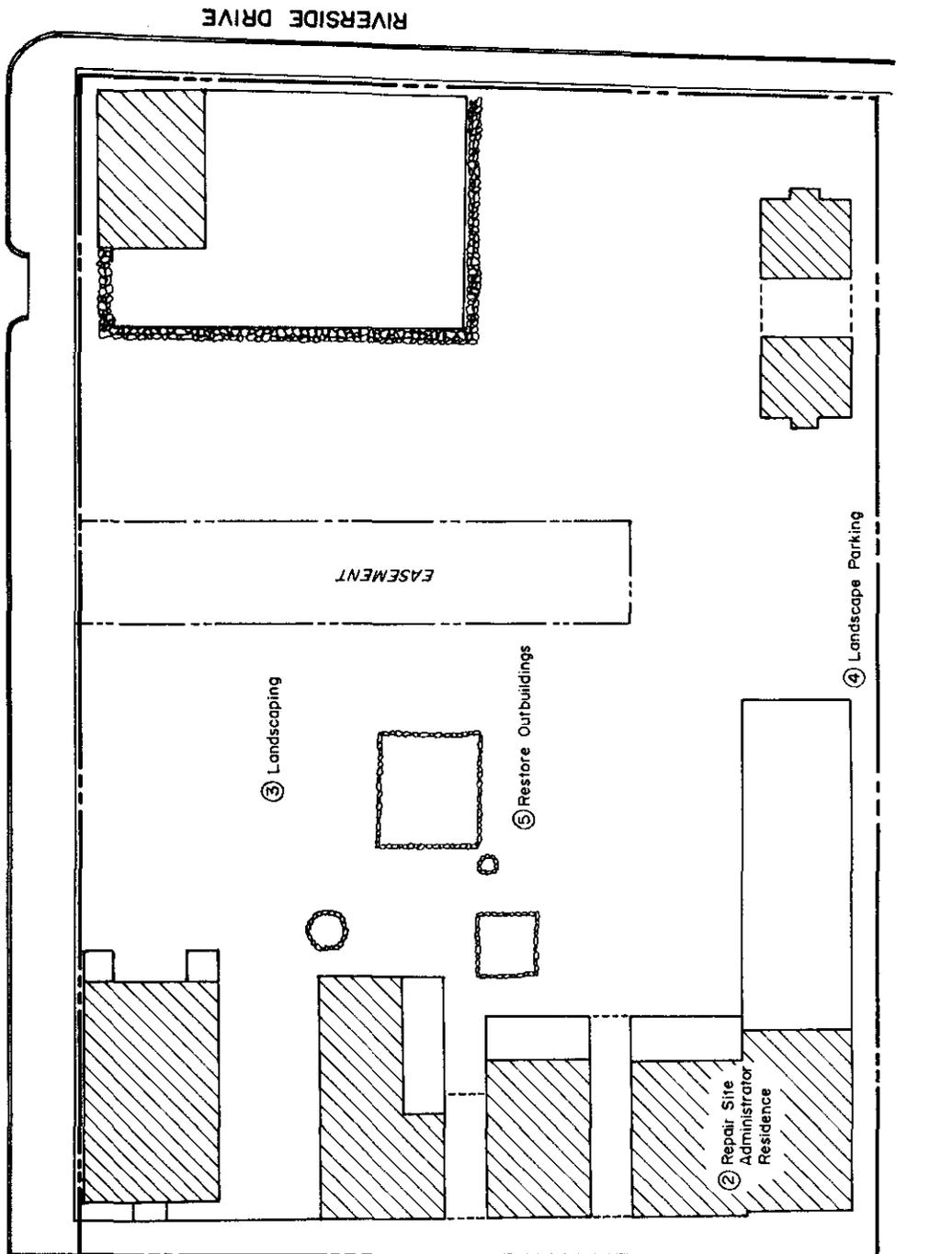
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3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE:			
St. Charles City Map			
SCALE:			
1:1300			
DATE:			
Not known			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
1. Property boundaries where required.			
2. North arrow.			
3. Latitude and longitude reference.			

MADISON STREET



MAIN STREET

RIVERSIDE DRIVE

OFF-SITE
① Acquire Artifacts

③ Landscaping

⑤ Restore Outbuildings

④ Landscape Parking

② Repair Site
Administrator
Residence

FIRST MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL
STATE HISTORIC SITE
CONCEPTUAL PLAN
JANUARY, 1987

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Hadley Irwin - Missouri State Park Board			
DATE OF PHOTO:			
1968			
NEGATIVE FILED AT:			
Missouri State Park Board, P.O. Box 176			
1204 Jefferson Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65101			
4. IDENTIFICATION			
DESCRIBE VIEW, DIRECTION, ETC.			
Looking northeast, view of the southwest facade. Exterior restoration nearing completion. (See overlay for relative locations of Buildings A, B, C, and D.)			



Name of Site: FIRST MISSOURI STATE CAPITOL
Site Number: 24-183-TULON-ROW-532-14
Photographer: M. P. HOLMES - MISSOURI STATE PARK BOARD
Date of Photo: AUG. 29, 1967 1 P.M.
View of Photo: Looking north
Neg. Size: 3x5





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Photographer: M.P. HOLMES - MISSOURI STATE PARK BOARD
Date of Photo: AUG. 29, 1967 1.P.M.
View of Photo: FROM EAST Looking West
Neg. Size: 3x5





East W. St. Capitol

Davenport

4/7/71

looking SW

35 m.p.

Post. date



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